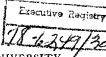
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Mr. Stansfield Turner Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Stan:

Your letter of November 1 arrived before I had an opportunity to write and thank you and your senior associates for the excellent briefing on October 26. The day was most informative and helpful from my standpoint, and I want you to know how very much we appreciated the opportunity to gain a better appreciation of how you do your job of collecting and assessing foreign intelligence. In my judgment, it is a very effective and important operation, and you are to be congratulated for your outstanding leadership and management.

I believe you are correct in not issuing a press release of our visit on October 26. At the same time, I understand that my name may be released with others under the Freedom of Information Act, with copies of letters of invitation that were sent to us. I certainly would have no objection to such a release.

Again, the day was most rewarding and helpful, and I want to thank you and your associates for the outstanding briefing and the hospitality.

Sincerely,

W. E. Lavery

President

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